

IN THE SPECIFICATION

Please amend the specification as follows:

The paragraph beginning at page 8, line 22 is amended as follows:

In 140, the client receives the flag and its corresponding value from the server. The client then inspects the value of the flag to determine if the data message is valid and can be consumed by the client in 142. If the value of the flag is valid, then in [[146]] 144 the client is free to access or otherwise consume the data message. However, if the value of the flag is not valid, then in 146 the client removes, ignores, or otherwise destroys the data message, and the data message is not accessed or consumed by the client.

The last full paragraph on page 10, line 26 amended as follows:

In 340 the received data message is checked to determine if the client originally encrypted the data message before it was received. Correspondingly, in 350 if the data message is encrypted, then it is decrypted. In one embodiment the encryption format used by the client permits the data message to be decrypted by using, in 355, a public key of the client.